


To: Members of Dublin City Council
From: Marsha I. Grigsby, City Manager 
Date: November 14, 2013
Initiated By: Matt Earman, Director of Recreation Services
Re: Fee Waiver Request for Use of DCRC Tallas

Summary

Attached is a copy of a letter received from Kristina Feduik requesting a fee waiver for use of the Community Hall at the Dublin Community Recreation Center (DCRC) for the purpose of a fund raising event to benefit the Maria Tiberi Foundation.

Ms. Feduik is a close friend of Dom and Terri Tiberi who lost their daughter, Maria, in a tragic car accident earlier this year. As it states in the letter, Ms. Feduik desires to hold an inspirational yoga class at the DCRC in memory of Maria, with all of the proceeds going directly to a fund to increase community awareness about defensive driving. The request is to rent the Tallas on December 1st between the hours of 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. to conduct the session. Staff has met with Ms. Feduik to discuss the details and, based on the current Fee Ordinance, has determined the cost for renting the Tallas would be in the amount of \$210.00 for the two-hour period.

The City's cost study provides for a waiver of such fees if the waiver is recommended by the City Manager and subsequently approved by City Council. In 2010, Council approved a similar request to waive costs for City services associated with a 5k run fundraising community event. Attached are the minutes associated with that particular request for your reference.

In this case, staff has determined that this is a one-time request, is intended to benefit the entire community, and is the first request to waive rental fees for use of the Tallas that has come to Council for consideration.

Recommendation

Based on the nature of this request, the understanding that this is a one-time request and the expectation that the proceeds for the fund raising event will benefit the community at large, staff recommends approval of the fee waiver. If you have any questions, please contact Matt Earman directly.

Dear Matt,

Thank you for the opportunity to talk about the Live for Maria fundraising event. Here's a little background information on what we're doing.

I worked with Dom Tiberi at 10TV for over 10 years. With his daughter Maria's passing in a tragic car accident, his family is close to my heart and I feel compelled to do something to help.

I left 10TV about a year ago and I'm now a certified personal trainer in the Canal Winchester area. A group of us are currently taking a Yoga Teacher Training course at Lifetime Fitness in Dublin. We would love the opportunity to teach an inspirational yoga class in memory of Maria. She touched so many people's lives in Dublin and throughout central Ohio. The class would be held on a donation only basis... with all of the proceeds going directly to Maria's fund to raise awareness about defensive driving.

The event will be Sunday Dec 1st from 2 to 3 pm (I have the hall reserved from 1:30 to 3:30 pm) at the Dublin Recreation Center.

Here's a link to the event we've created:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/200182170166545/?ref=5>

We are respectfully requesting for the Dublin City Council to waive the fee associated with renting the three adjoining rooms for this event to help keep all funds collected at the event to go directly towards Maria's fund.

We want this to be an uplifting experience for the entire city. I've asked the Tiberis if they'd like to speak to the group at the start of the class.

If we can bring hope and inspiration to the community and keep Maria's memory alive, we would love to help.

Thank you,

Kristina Feduik

Feel free to reach me on my cell at 614 563-3056.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Fee waiver request - Lyndsey & Kyle Memorial 5K Run

Ms. Grigsby stated this letter is a request for waiver of the fees for City services provided by Streets and Utilities for this 5K Run. The cost study provides for a waiver of fees if the waiver is recommended by the City Manager and subsequently approved by City Council. In this case, when the information was reviewed about the needed City services, the information provided by the City to the race director, Kristy Anderson provided only police services costs. When the request came to Finance for the Police costs as well as Streets and Utilities costs, staff did not have the ability to waive those fees. The streets and utility fees were not included in their projected cost of the race. Staff is recommending that the fees for Streets and Utilities services for the Lyndsey & Kyle Memorial 5K run be waived, based upon the fact that the information was not provided to the race sponsors.

Kristy Anderson, Race Director, 7325 Frasier Road, Westerville stated that she is representing the family tonight and is accompanied by Lyndsey's mother. All of the proceeds from this race do benefit the Dublin community, as they are split equally between Lyndsey's and Kyle's scholarship funds, which benefit Dublin students. Vice Mayor Salay moved approval of the fee waiver request, based on the information provided by the Finance Director.

Mr. Gerber seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Mr. Reiner, yes; Vice Mayor Salay, yes; Mrs. Boring, yes; Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, yes; Mayor Lecklider, yes; Mr. Gerber, yes.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher added that these types of requests for City services are often reviewed in the hotel/motel tax grant process. She suggested that the packet of information provided to event organizers includes the alternate ways to fund City services.

Ms. Grigsby responded that when applicants come in for event review, staff can provide that information to them.